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SUBJECT: ELEVENTH SESSION, UNIDO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD ((IDB-XI), ROUND-UP OF MINOR ITEMS

1. THIS MESSAGE CONTAINS A BRIEF SUMMARY OF ACTION TAKEN IN IDB-XI ON A NUMBER OF AGENDA ITEMS OF MINOR IMPORTANCE. AS LISTED IN ID/B/174, THESE INCLUDE AGENDA ITEMS 4, 5, 7(A) 8(C), (E), (H)(II) AND (III), 9, 11, 12 AND 13.

2. ITEM 4, GENERAL DEBATE; IN VIEW OF HEAVY AGENDA AND APPEALS BY SOME DELEGATIONS TO AVOID LENGTHY GENERAL DEBATE (U.S. STATED IT WOULD ABSTAIN FROM MAKING GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT), NUMBER OF SPEAKERS WAS LIMITED. THOSE STATEMENTS THAT WERE MADE CONTAINED NO EXTRAORDINARY ELEMENTS AND WERE IN THE MAIN PREVIEWS OF DELEGATION STATEMENTS ON INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEMS.

2. ITEM 5 - REPORT OF EIGHT SESSION, PERMANENT COMMITTEE; U.S. DEL, DRAWING ON UNEC POSITION PAPER 77/203, WAS SOLE SPEAKER, AND DIRECTED ITS REMARKS TO PROBLEMS OF COORDINATION OF UNIDO WITH OTHER UN AGENCIES. THE REPORT WAS ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS.

3. ITEM 7 - REGULAR PROGRAM OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE;
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U.S. DEL DREW ON UNEC 77/206, GIVING PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO RELATIVELY HIGH CONTENT OF NON-CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES AMONG RPTA MONIES; FRG, UK AND NIGERIA ALSO SPOKE TO THIS POINT. USSR, PREDICTABLY, ROSE TO DEFENSE OF ITS NON-CONVERTIBLE CONTRIBUTION. IDB APPROVED RPTA PROPOSALS FOR 1979 AND GAVE PROVISIONAL APPROVAL FOR 1979 PROGRAM.H

4. ITEM 8(C), QUESTIONNAIRE ON LIMA DECLARATION; U.S. DEL DREW ON UNEC 77/210 IN POINTING OUT DESIRABILITY OF SINGLE QUESTIONNAIRE DIRECTED TO ALL GOVERNMENTS; WHILE UNIOD SHOULD REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN MONITORING FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES TO THE LIMA DECLARATION, IT SHOULD NOT DELEGATE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES TO THOSE AGENCIES. U.S. DEL EXPRESSED VIEW THAT THIRD GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNIDO PROVIDED APPROPRIATE TIME FOR FULL REPORT ON FOLLOW-UP TO LIMA, WHICH WOULD CONCLUDE THIS PHASE OF MONITORING EXERCISE. IDB TOOK NOTE OF DOCUMENT ID/B/187.

5. ITEM 8(E), THIRD GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNIDO (ID/B/189); DRAWING ON UNEC-77/212, U.S. DEL SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS TO ITEMS 6 AND 7 OF THE PROPOSED PROVISIONAL DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE THIRD GENERAL CONFERENCE, AND PROPOSED THAT THE IDB AUTHORIZE THE 9TH SESSION OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO ADVISING THE SECRETARIAT ON PREPARATION DOCUMENTATION FOR THE CONFERENCE. IN ITS COVERING DECISION REPORTING THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR APPROVAL, THE IDB HELD OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER MODIFICATION OF THE AGENDA BY IDB, AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE SITE OF THE THIRD GENERAL CONFERENCE BE NEW DELHI, PROVIDED THAT INDIA CONFIRMS TO THE 32ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY ITS INVITATION TO HOST THE CONFERENCE.

6 ITEM 8(H)(II) AND (III) - INSURANCE SYSTEM AND SENEGALESE PROPOSAL; BOTH THESE ITEMS WERE DISPOSED OF WITHOUT DEBATE; THE SENEGALESE PROPOSAL WAS REMOVED FROM THE IDB AGENDA SINCE THE ITEM HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL UNCLASSIFIED

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COMMITTEE FOR A CONSTITUTION FOR UNIDO FOR ITS CONSIDERATION; AND CONSIDERATION OF THE INSURANCE SYSTEM WAS INDEFINITELY DEFERRED SINCE DISCUSSIONS OF A SIMILAR NATURE WERE TAKING PLACE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE UNIDO PROGRAM OF CONSULTATIONS.

7 ITEM 9 - NATURAL RESOURCES (IDXB/196); U.S. DEL EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF UNIDO'S COORDINATING ITS ACTIVITIES IN THIS FIELD WITH OTHER UN BODIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY; OTHER DELEGATIONS FROM THE SOCIALIST BLOC AND G-77 CALLED FOR EARLY COMPLETION OF THE JOINT REPORT BY UNIDO AND THE CENTER ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF TNC'S IN RESPECT OF EXPLOITATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES. THE IDB TOOK NOTE OF THE SECRETARIAT DOCUMENT.

7. ITEM 11 - NGOs AND IGO'S; ALL APPLICANTS WERE GRANTED CONSULTATIVE STATUS BY CONSENSUS WITH EXCEPTION OF WORLD PEACE COUNCIL; IN LATTER CASE, STATEMENTS OF RESERVATION BY U.S., FRG, FRANCE AND OTHER WESTERN DELEGATES, AS WELL AS

CHINA, TOUCHED OFF IMPASSIONED DEFENSE OF WPC BY SOCIALIST BLOC. ITEM WAS POSTPONED UNTIL LATER SESSION, AT WHICH TIME WPC WAS GRANTED CONSULTATIVE STATUS WITHOUT VOTE, THE VARIOUS EXPRESSIONS OF RESERVATION HAVING BEEN NOTED IN RECORD.

8. ITEMS 12 AND 13 - DATES AND AGENDAS FOR 9TH AND 10TH SESSION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE AND 12TH SESSION OF IDB; BOARD DECIDED THAT 9TH SESSION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE WILL TAKE PLACE DECEMBER 5-9, 1977; 10TH SESSION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE WILL TAKE PLACE MAY 2-12, 1978 TO BE FOLLOWED BY 12TH SESSION OF IDB FROM MAY 16-26, 1978. U.S. DEL REQUESTED THAT DOCUMENTATION TO BE PREPARED BY SECRETARIAT FOR REVIEW OF PREPARATIONS FOR THIRD GENERAL CONFERENCE DURING 9TH SESSION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE INCLUDE A REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LONG-RANGE STRATEGY FOR UNIDO. AGENDAS WILL BE TRANSMITTED SEPTEL. STIBRAVY
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